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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to U.S. patent listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the patent is also enclosed.

The enclosed patent was cited in a European Search Report from a European counterpart application. A copy of the Search Report is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

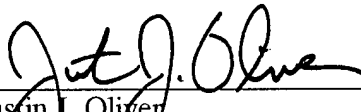
Applicants note that the European Search Report cites additional documents which are not listed in the attached Form PTO-1449. However, those additional documents are not listed because they were already cited in this application in the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 16, 2002.

No fee is believed due in connection with this paper; however, if any fee is due, it should be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for that purpose.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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